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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND TO OFFICE ACTION DATED DECEMBER 19, 2005

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicant petitions for an extension of time of two months to and including May 19, 2006 in which to respond to the Office Action dated December 19, 2005.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct the \$450.00 large-entity fee for a two-month extension of time from Locke Liddell & Sapp LLP

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